

CONFESSED
HIS CRIMEBeattie Admitted Wife-Slaying
and Expressed Penitence

WAS ELECTROCUTED TO-DAY

Young Virginian Went to His Death
Quite Calmly—His Attending Minis-
ters Issued His Signed Confession
But Refused to Talk Further

Richmond, Va., Nov. 24.—Henry Clay Beattie, jr., before his death in the electric chair to-day confessed to the murder of his wife. His statement was given out as follows:

"I Henry Clay Beattie, jr., desirous of standing right before God and man, do on this 24th day of November, 1911, confess my guilt of the crime charged against me. Much that has been published concerning the details is not true. But the awful act without the harrowing circumstances remains. For this act I am truly sorry and, believing that I am at peace with God and soon to pass into His presence, this statement is made."

The attending ministers say that this statement was signed in the presence of the two attending physicians and is the only statement that can and will be made public by them.

The execution of Beattie took place in the state penitentiary here at 7:23 a. m. One minute after the shock was administered he was pronounced dead.

Was Very Calm This Morning.

Beattie passed a fairly peaceful night. He dressed this morning with his usual care and ate sparingly. He did not appear either nervous or apprehensive, and during the reading of the death warrant the doomed man maintained his composure. Then, as the death march began, Beattie said:

"I am ready, gentlemen."

Broke Down Once Yesterday.

For a brief time yesterday, young Beattie broke down, and it was feared that his remarkable stoicism and nerve were about to desert him. This was when he took leave of his father and brother, Douglas. When the parting came the son laid his head on his father's breast and sobbed convulsively. One arm was flung across his father's shoulders; the other hand gripped that of his brother.

But he recovered quickly. The fortitude of the elder Beattie had more to do with the recovery than the soothing offices of the Rev. Benjamin Dennis, who has labored with the doomed prisoner. With Spartan self-control, the father kept his emotions in check, although the tears raced down his cheeks and his lips twitched pathetically. No words were spoken, but the young wife murderer must have felt the stern repression of his parent, for his sobs were strangled and he straightened.

"Good-bye," he said and turned away. Neither father nor brother trusted to make reply, but made their way from the penitentiary.

Hazel, the 18-year-old sister of the prisoner, and his two aunts drove to the state prison in a closed carriage in the middle of the afternoon. They were in the death chamber a trifle more than an hour. When they emerged, Hazel was on the verge of collapse, while all three were violently agitated and the eyes of each were red and puffed with weeping.

The condemned man's last day was spent in prayer, save for the time occupied by the farewells of the family. Beattie is said to have declared his complete conversion and to have no fear that his peace was made with God. He told his spiritual advisers that he faced the hereafter with supreme confidence.

Convicted by a Shotgun.

The crime for which Henry Clay Beattie, jr., was executed was one of the most sensational in the criminal history of Virginia. Interest in the murder was country wide owing to its unusual features and the swift movement of justice.

On the night of July 18, last, Beattie drove his automobile into Richmond, carrying with him the body of his wife which had a gaping shot gun wound in the head. He declared that a tall, bearded man had accosted him on the Mid-lanham turnpike, and on this fact Beattie based his claim that he had been convicted, not for the murder of his wife, but because of his relations with Beulah Binford, a notorious young woman. He

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OFF SHIMANE PROVINCE

The Japanese Destroyer Harusame Was
Lost To-day, Foundering in the
Sea of Japan During a
Severe Storm.

Tokio, Japan, Nov. 24.—The Japanese destroyer Harusame foundered off Shimane province during a storm today. Forty-five members of her crew perished. The Shimane province is on the north-west coast of the country, just south of the Oki islands.

60 PEOPLE DROWNED
IN LOSS OF SHIPAustrian Steamer Romania Went Down
in Adriatic Sea To-day—Great
Storm Has Been Raging.

HAD LONG CHASE

Before Charles Galusha Was Caught For
Vermont Trial.

Bangor, Nov. 24.—After a chase across three states, Deputy Sheriff J. D. Purdy of Manchester, Vt., with the aid of the Bangor police, captured Charles Galusha, 28 years old, of that town, here yesterday.

VERMONT SPORTSMEN.

Re-elected Maxwell Everts As President
of Their League.

Burlington, Nov. 24.—Thirty persons were admitted to membership in the Vermont State Fish and Game league at the annual meeting at the hotel Vermont in this city last night. The meeting was presided over by Fish and Game Commissioner J. W. Tibbott, who mentioned the many improvements made in the state hatchery where \$9,000 has been expended in the past year for improvements of a permanent nature. Later, he discussed at length stocking of the lake for commercial fishing and said that enough fish should be furnished from the lake to at least supply the home market.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Maxwell Everts of Windsor; secretary, J. W. Tibbott of Lyndonville; treasurer, Charles F. Lowe of Montpelier; assistant secretary, Edward Connel of Lyndonville; vice presidents, F. H. Brooks of St. Johnsbury, Fred H. Babbitt of Bellows Falls, W. G. Reynolds of Barre, F. L. Greene of St. Albans, F. L. Fish of Vergennes, D. D. Burdett of Pittsford, B. J. Derby of Burlington; executive committee, F. C. Smith of Addison, E. C. Orris of Washington, R. L. Patrick of Burlington, G. M. Campbell of Wells River, G. E. Nelson of Derby Line, Redfield Proctor of Proctor, O. L. Martin of Plainfield, Dr. Henry D. Bolton of Brattleboro and E. A. Davis of Bennington. The membership committee will consist of L. H. Greene of Montpelier, M. H. Riddell of Burlington and Collins Graves of Bennington. The auditors will be F. A. Howland and H. J. M. Jones of Montpelier and S. M. Paige of St. Albans.

TRUST CO'S HEAD

SENTENCED TO PRISON

William Cummins Gets Long Sentence
After Being Convicted of Theft
of \$140,000 From Trust Fund
Sold by Carnegie Co.

New York, Nov. 24.—William Cummins, head of the suspended Carnegie Trust company of New York, recently convicted of a theft of \$140,000 from the trust fund sold by the Carnegie company, was today sentenced by Justice Davis in the supreme court to an indeterminate term in state prison from four years and eight months to eight years and six months.

NO SPECIAL PLEAS FILED.

Counsel for Richeson Fail to Make Ex-
pected Motions.

Boston, Nov. 21.—The time for filing special pleas in the case of the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, charged with the murder of Avis Linnell, expired yesterday and while the office of the clerk of the superior criminal court was closed late in the day none had been entered. A motion for the postponement of the trial, which is set for the middle of January, was one of the moves expected from the defense, which had urged extended time in which to prepare the case for the accused.

While it is understood that William A. Morse, counsel for the defendant, does not even intend to make a motion to quash the indictment, such a proceeding would be open to him after the trial had begun.

TO DECIDE JANUARY 8.

When and Where Democratic National
Convention Will Be Held.

Mount Clemens, Mich., Nov. 24.—The time and place for holding the Democratic national convention will be decided by the Democratic national committee in Washington on January 8, according to the announcement to-day by Norman E. Mack, chairman of the committee.

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